Navigating MiWaters for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit Applicants

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Process

- You may submit written questions at any time.
 The presenters will address them during pauses in the presentation.
- MDEQ will post a recording of this webinar on its website.

Agenda

- Overview of MiWaters
- Submitting a permit application and requests
- Submitting reports
- Q & A

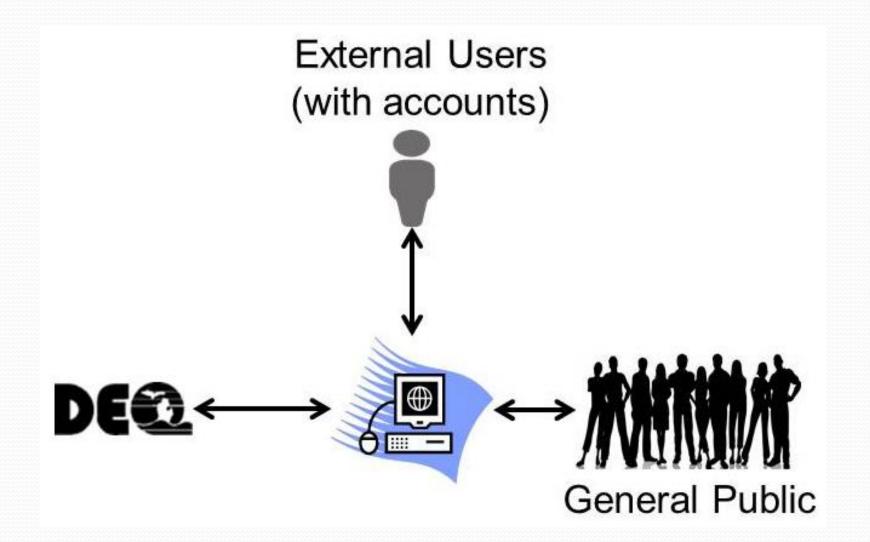
MiWaters: an integrated software solution

MiWaters provides tracking, management, inquiry, and reporting of Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Water Resources Division (WRD) Program Data.

MiWaters

- Replaces 25+ databases
- Includes 5 permitting programs
 - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
 - Groundwater Discharge
 - Part 41 Construction (coming soon)
 - Aquatic Nuisance Control (ANC)
 - Land/Water Interface (Wetlands, Lakes & Streams, Great Lakes)

MiWaters Functional Overview



MiWaters: benefits the MDEQ

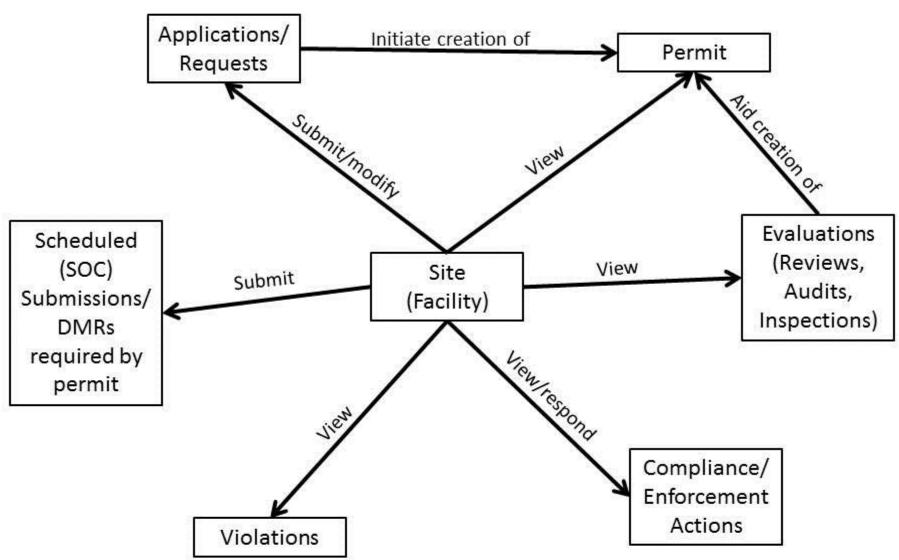
- Replaces many aging systems that do not meet current needs
- Provides a consistent interface for processing applications for permits
- Streamlines data collection
- Allows more data on the Web for public access, increasing transparency (coming soon)

MiWaters: benefits regulated stakeholders

Allowing them to:

- Manage accounts
- Submit applications electronically and follow the changes in status
- Submit permit required reports electronically
- Receive notifications of upcoming schedules of compliance
- Access historic submissions (applications, reports, etc.)
- View compliance and enforcement history

MiWaters Functional Overview



Questions on Account Set Up?

Please visit the Office of Environmental Assistance's webpage (www.michigan.gov/deqoea) for past MiWaters presentations. These earlier webinars detail account set up, certifier agreements, maintaining your MiWaters profile, and inviting other users.

Previous presentations include "Introduction to MiWaters for Aquatic Nuisance Control Permitting" and "Introduction to MiWaters for Facilities Covered under a DEQ Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFO) Permit."

Other tutorials are found here: www.michigan.gov/miwaters

MiWaters-site info

- Notifications When permit status is updated, when reports are due
- Site Information Details, Site Plan, Contacts (at the site level), and Related Sites
- Apps, Requests, and Reports submit DMRs and required reports
- Permits a list of all permits, initiate a permit change
- Compliance and Enforcement Actions a list of actions taken by the MDEQ

MiWaters-site info, cont'd

- <u>Violations</u> Review this list occasionally,
 MiWaters will automatically generate some violations
- Financials list of fees/fines, you can pay from here
- <u>Documents</u> a list of all public documents, including the permit
- Authorized Users users who can view and/or administer a site

MiWaters: application submittal

- Select "Apps, Requests and Reports" from the left side menu
 - If the application is for a new site "Start a New Form"
 - If the application is for an existing site but a new discharge, including water treatment additive requests - select site, then "Start a New Form"
 - If requesting change <u>or reissuance</u> of an existing permit - select "Permit Change Forms"
- Use the filters to find what you're looking for

Applications & Service Requests



Including any other forms not related to existing permits or compliance actions



Start New Form

Permit Applications, Service Requests, and more



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Forms relating to active compliance actions and current permits



New and Draft Compliance Reports

Browse available schedules required by a permit or compliance action



Submitted Compliance Reports

View or revise past submittals

Permit Change Forms

Forms to reissue, modify, transfer or terminate a permit



New Permit Change Form

MiWaters Requests Page

MiWaters: report submittal

- MiWaters will send notifications to account holders of upcoming obligations for reporting
- Go to "Apps, Requests and Reports"
- Select Compliance Reports
- Find the report of interest, then select Begin Submittal
- Click "Begin Form Entry" in the upper left corner.
- Follow the instructions

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MiWaters Requests Page

MiWaters

MDEQ established a webpage for updating the public on MiWaters: www.michigan.gov/miwaters

You'll have access to MiWaters there, or with a link on the bottom of the MDEQ/Water page.

For further questions, staff maps are found here: www.michigan.gov/miwaters

General Q & A







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